



Ramp and Area Update for October 11, 2006

Fall is a great time to visit Glen Canyon National Recreation Area! It's easy to find a secluded campsite on Lake Powell or your own fishing spot. Come experience this spectacular national park area this fall.

Come Experience:

- Lake Powell! With the water level currently at 3,605 feet, there is plenty of water to enjoy boating, fishing, kayaking, and other water activities. Current water temperatures are approximately 70 degrees, making swimming possible for much of October. Water levels should remain between approximately 3,590 and 3,600 feet this winter.
- Kayaking is growing in popularity as people learn what a great kayaking destination this is. You can launch your kayak at any launch ramp or get dropped off at a remote side canyon with a boat shuttle from Antelope Point Holdings or Aramark. Kayak rentals and guided kayaking trips are also available through outfitters locally.
- Fall is the best time of the year for hiking, with cooler temperatures and dry weather. Come explore this red rock wilderness on foot!
- Camping on Lake Powell, which provides unparalleled opportunities to view the night sky.
- Taking a boat tour to Rainbow Bridge or renting a boat and exploring on your own.
- Teaching your children to protect Lake Powell's water quality and other precious natural resources.
- Lake Powell offers world-class fishing and is a great place to teach your kids to fish. Visit www.wayneswords.com for the best fishing spots.

Facilities and Services Update:

Public launching capabilities are open and available at Wahweap, Stateline, Antelope Point, Bullfrog, and Halls Crossing.

- **Wahweap/Stateline**
Wahweap and Stateline main ramps are open with concrete surfaces. The pumpout at Wahweap is open. Stateline pumpout has closed for the season. Stateline-A (Alternative Ramp) is closed to launching of any vessel but is open as a day use area. Boat and land-based fuel are available. Lake Powell Resort is open for overnight accommodation. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are available at Lake Powell Resort through Java City or the Driftwood Lounge. A variety of power boats and houseboats are available throughout the winter for rent. Scenic boat tours to Rainbow Bridge and other destinations are available.
- **Antelope Point**
Antelope Point Public Launch Ramp is open with concrete surfaces for park visitors to launch their own vessels. Antelope Point Navajo Launch Ramp is open. Fuel is available at the marina and a fuel dock store is open. A variety of power boats and houseboats are available throughout the winter for rent.
- **Dangling Rope**
Dangling Rope will close for the season on November 27 and will reopen on March 1. **Fuel will not be for sale at Dangling Rope this winter, so boaters should come prepared with extra fuel.**
- **Bullfrog**
Bullfrog main ramp is open with a concrete surface to the water's edge. The Bullfrog pumpout is operational and boat and land-based fuel are available through the winter. The Lake Powell Ferry, providing automobile shuttle service between Bullfrog and Halls Crossing, is operating but has limited hours during November and December (departing Halls Crossing at 8 am and 2 pm and departing Bullfrog at 9 am and 3 pm). While Defiance House Lodge and the Anasazi Restaurant close for the season on November 7, family rental units with kitchens will be available all winter. The Boat and Go marina store will be open throughout winter.
- **Halls Crossing**
Halls Crossing ramp is open with a concrete surface. Family rental units are available throughout the winter. The boat fuel dock will be open. The Lake Powell Ferry between Halls Crossing and Bullfrog is running but has limited service this winter.

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- **Lone Rock Beach**

Lone Rock is open for vehicle accessible camping and day use. All pet waste must be contained and disposed of in the same manner as human waste. Microflush toilets are open until the end of October.

- **Hite**

At the current lake level, there is no marina facility or public launch ramp at Hite. A dirt takeout area for river rafters has been developed on the west side of the river. This is a primitive road and requires 4-wheel drive to access the river. This is not a boat launching area. Pay-at-pump fuel is available and limited groceries are available between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. only. Hite has a NPS ranger station and primitive camping area, however this camping area is not accessible to Lake Powell. Family rental units are also available throughout the winter.

General Information

- **Remember – Fuel will not be available at Dangling Rope this winter, so please plan accordingly!**
- **Webcams and other information** on Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is online at: www.nps.gov/glca.
- **Lake levels** – For the latest information, visit the Bureau of Reclamation's web site at www.usbr.gov/uc/.
- **Rainbow Bridge National Monument** – The trail to Rainbow Bridge was washed out by flooding in early October. The NPS is repairing the trail and it is currently not open. It is expected to re-open within the next 2 weeks. Check www.nps.gov/glca for updates.
- **Protect Lake Powell's water quality!** A method of containing solid human waste is **required** when camping on Lake Powell in areas more than 200 yards from a constructed toilet facility. Portable toilets are available for rent locally.
- **Beware of exotic invaders!** Zebra mussels are a major threat to the park's fisheries. If your boat has recently been in zebra mussel infested waters, it is illegal to launch in Lake Powell until it has been steam pressured washed. Free washes are available at Wahweap and Bullfrog; inquire at the park entrance station.
- **Heads up & eyes open!** Boat with caution – always be on the look out for submerged rocks and other underwater hazards.
- **Floating restrooms and dump stations:** Floating restrooms and dump stations will be open until the end of October.
- **Entrance fee stations** are no longer routinely staffed after November 5. Visitors are still expected to pay entrance fees using the automated fee machines at entrance stations. Park entrance fees are \$15 per vehicle for 7 days.
- **Boaters must provide their own fittings for pumpout hoses** at all facilities lake wide.
- **Visitor centers:** The Carl Hayden Visitor Center, at Glen Canyon dam, is open year-round, and features a new aquarium with endangered fish native to the Colorado River, including the bonytail and humpback chub. The Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center at Lees Ferry is open thru late October. The visitor contact stations at Wahweap and Bullfrog have closed for the season.
- **Park concessioners:** For information on park concessioners and services available:
 - Antelope Point Holdings 928- 645- 5900 or www.antelopepointlakepowell.com
 - ARAMARK- Lake Powell Resorts & Marinas 1- 800- 528- 6154 or www.lakepowell.com

Channel Markings at Current Water Levels

- **Boaters – be aware:** Due to narrowness of the channel from Anchovy Point to Antelope Point Marina, be prepared for rough water if multiple boats are in the area.
- **Boaters are now required** to follow the main channel to the north and west of Padre Butte - the channel is marked. The marked channel has been realigned beginning at buoy 16 through 20C.
- **Wakeless zones: *boat with caution – please adhere to flat wake rules.***
For those boaters traveling uplake from the Wahweap area, boat with caution within the breakwater and wakeless buoys around the Antelope Point public launch ramp and at the Antelope Point Marina.

Safety Tips - Recreate Sensibly and Return Home Safely!

- **Kite tubing and parasailing** are now prohibited at Glen Canyon!
- **Cliff jumping/diving** is the #1 cause of fatalities on Lake Powell – even jumping/diving from low levels can cause death or serious injury. New park regulations prohibit this activity.
- **Carbon monoxide (CO)** is a “silent killer.” Know the location of your vessel's exhaust and keep everyone out of harm's way. Be sure your CO detectors on your vessel work and pay heed if they go off. BE SAFE – turn off generators prior to retiring for the evening.
- **Children don't float!** Please watch your children around water and require them to wear personal flotation devices (also known as life jackets or life vests) anytime they are in or near the water. Don't let your child be a statistic!